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Paris la Défense, July 25th 2003 SIPPL

Re: Informations Furnished Pursuant to Rule 12g3 - 2 (b) Exemption Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 U3 AUG -1 611 7:

Please find hereby the last information given to our shareholders:

Press Information:

- July 24th 2003

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CONSOLIDATED SALES FOR FIRST-HALF 2003

Consolidated sales for the first half 2003 stands at 1,422.8 millions euros, down 1.4% compared with the same period 2002 but up +2.7% on a like for like basis.

Following the first quarter trends, the business shrank in France and the United States. Southern Europe and Emerging Countries excluding India, are continuing to enjoy growth. Pressure on sales prices continues to hit operational performances in India and Turkey. In such an uncertain economic background, with increasingly exchange rate volatility, a further result improvement might be difficult.

Breakdown by geographical areas	June 30			
(in millions of euros)	2003	— 2002	%	% (1)
FRANCE	595	603	-1.4%	-1.4%
EUROPEAN UNION (excluding France)	265	244	8.8%	7.8%
OTHER COUNTRIES	563	596	-5.5%	4.7%
TOTAL	1,423	1,443	-1.4%	2.7%

(1) On a like for like basis

Breakdown by activities (in millions of euros)	June 30			
	2003	2002	%_	% (1)
CEMENT	908	939	-3.2%	2.7%
AGGREGATES /RMC	472	464	1.8%	1.9%
OTHER	43	40	6.1%	11.3%
TOTAL	1,423	1,443	-1.4%	2.7%

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